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PSC Co-hosting Regional Telecommunications Summit Oct. 9 event at Murray State University features national experts

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 12, 2013) – The chief economist of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is among several national experts on the program for a regional conference on the telecommunications industry next month in Murray, Ky.

The Multistate Telecommunications Summit is organized by Murray State University's Center for Telecommunications Systems Management and co-hosted by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) and the Kentucky Telecom Association.

Dr. Steve Wildman of the FCC will discuss federal planning for the transition of most telecommunication services to the Internet. Other topics for the one-day conference include network security and resiliency, the next generation of 911 services and the use of social media.

Kentucky PSC Chairman David Armstrong will share a panel with regulators from neighboring states to discuss varying state approaches to oversight of the telecommunication industry.

"As a participant in previous telecommunication summits at Murray State, I can attest to the value of attending this event," Armstrong said. "It is an opportunity to learn about the latest developments in telecommunications and to exchange views with a cross-section of people involved in the industry."

The Oct. 9 summit is open to regulators, industry officials and members of the academic community. There is no registration fee.

An agenda and more information are available at http://www.tsmsummit.com/.

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